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THE SEVEN SPHERES

Considering the Godhead as a Sun, there are, surrounding and enfolding this Central Focus of Intelligence Seven Mighty Spheres of Consciousness, each one separated from the other by its own periphery line which forms the natural boundary of that particular Sphere. These Seven Spheres might be called the Aura of God, each one inhabited by Great God Intelligences, all intent on doing The Father's Will, expanding His Kingdom and His Consciousness.

The development and unfoldment of His Kingdom is accomplished by the rhythmic release of pulsating waves of His Own Divine Consciousness, within which are the spiritual germs of all form and manifestation from the smallest blade of grass to the most brilliant star with its Cosmic tone.

As these God Ideas pass from Sphere to Sphere in ever widening circles, They are absorbed by the Beings and Intelligences within each one, Their Shining Glory modified by the vibratory action of the natural elements within that Sphere. They then pass outward on Their course to the next Sphere and the next, ever journeying onward toward manifestation in the World of Form... Their Glory mercifully dimmed to a point where the Beings of the next Sphere can best absorb Their Blessings.

A constant modification of the God Light—a constant clothing of the God Consciousness—is achieved in each Sphere so that God's Ideas become embodied in the atomic substance of each sphere in orderly sequence, and eventually reach the Seventh Sphere or Etheric Realm where they await precipitation into the physical world of form.

I

The First Sphere represents the Heart of Creation Itself. The Great Beings who form the Directive Intelligence of this Sphere are known as The Manus of the human race. The Master who activates Their Will in the World of Man is called The Chohan of the First Ray, Morya El. It is His Service to Life to carry the God Ideas and Directives from the Godhead into the minds of Those Beings in the Second Sphere who clothe them in actual workable form. In this First Sphere also abide the Seven Mighty Arch Angels who have volunteered to guard and protect the envolving human race. Here, is born every idea, design, plan and blessing which will one day manifest in the physical world. Its Inhabitants are Beings whose service to life is to embody these God Ideas and carry them on their outward course to the periphery of The First Sphere, and here entrust them to the waiting Messengers of the Secoud Sphere.

What finite mind could conceive of the beauty, the perfection, the joy and happiness of these ideas! Here live the Cherubic and Seraphic Hosts, Messengers of the Most High, bathing in the Fire of Creation, enbodying Its Essence in Their Very Selves and then, begins the great Cosmic Ritual of Cosmic Precipitation of the Blessings of Heaven from Realm to Realm, which will take Them in time to the furthest borders of The Kingdom and the periphery of the Seventh Sphere. Containing the purest essence of Divinity within Their Shinings Selves, They swing outward in Their Cosmic Course, carrying the Light of Heaven into the consciousness of the beings in the Second Sphere.

I I

The Celestial Inhabitants of the Second Sphere most lovingly receive The Cosmic Messengers and the Ideas from God's Heart, assimilate them, clothe them in the substance of Their Own Great Light and the universal light substance which forms the atmosphere of This Sphere, and they—in turn—pass them onward to the receptive consciousness and atmosphere of the Third Realm.

In this Second Sphere, the God ideas and patterns of future greatness are moulded into form through the use of the creative powers of the Higher Mind Force... thus the seed of the Father fall on fertile ground (Intelligent Individual Conscious-

ness) and begins to take definite form in the world of Divine Thought.

The God Intelligence Who governs this Second Sphere is The Lord Buddha, who, together with His Great Brother, Lord Maitreya, interpret the God ideas from the First Sphere through the formulation of World Religions and Faiths. Their Representative, the Chohan of the Second Ray, Kuthumi Lal Singh, further consolidates Their Cosmic Service through the educational channels both of the Inner Spheres and the physical appearance world as well.

So great is the wealth of the Father's Outpouring, that this essence must keep rushing onward, clothed in intelligent thought patterns, ever desiring to give of itself in rhythmic blessings. Thus the Third Sphere is alerted to receive of the Divine Outpouring.

III

In the Third Sphere, the glory and radiance of the Second Sphere has already clothed the Divine Immanence in thought patterns, so that it is better assimilated by the vibrating consciousness of this Realm. These God Ideas are ensouled with life and become living, pulsating foci of "things to come". This is the Realm of the Holy Spirit under the direction of that Great Cosmic Representative of the Third Person of the Trinity, whom we know by the title of Maha Chohan.

In this Third Sphere, life essence is imparted to the thought forms descending from the First and Second Spheres. Until thought is clothed with the life through the feeling nature, it does not become a living, vital force so far as expression in the physical world is concerned. Thus, the Third Sphere vitalizes all manifestations which will ever externalize on the planet earth.

The activity of the Third Sphere, like the prism, divides the spiritual rays through which flows the life which makes thoughts become things, actualized, and the radiation and gifts of the Third Ray proceed through the five subdivisions of this Great Ray into the physical world of form. The Great Chohans of these Five Rays, therefore, work under the supervision of their Overlord—the Maha Choan.

The First subdivision of the Third Ray is under the direction of the Chohan known as Paul, The Venetian. His Cosmic Service to life is to receive the blueprints or divine thought forms which contain within themselves world movements, as well as simple individual blessings for the human race, and, dividing them as to their subject matter and potential service to life, He gives them to the Chohan in charge of the dispensation of those specific activities. These Chohans in turn, project them from Their Spheres of Activity into the world of form through conscious or unconscious human intelligences who are open to Their Cosmic Impressions and Infuence. Thus, the Venetian becomes the Outpost of the Maha Chohan, and the step-down transformer of His Energies so far as channeling the blessings of God through the proper facets in the World of form.

IV

A group of Beings from the Third Sphere joins the Cherubic and Seraphic Hosts as they prepare to pass outward with the living, embodied thought forms, into the Fourth Sphere of Conscious life. Again, a great diffusion of spiritual effulgence takes place, a richer radiation pours through the atmosphere of the Sphere of Visitation. The Divine Ideas pulsate through the electronic substance and are absorbed by any receptive consciousness within the Fourth Sphere.

The Great Chohan of the Fourth Sphere is known as the Master, Serapis Bey. The developed thought forms of the First and Second Spheres, endowed with life of the Holy Spirit in the Third Sphere, finds its first point of contact with the individual consciousness of unascended beings in this realm. The far greater majority of Divine Arche-type (Presences) dwell within this Fourth Realm. Here, the God Ideas-Patterns, Designs-are received by these Christ Egoes, and developed by Them through centuries of endeavor, and projected by Them into the world of men through their own physical personalities or through advanced pupils functioning in lines of endeavor similar to those being developed and perfected with this Realm. Those Ideas not ensouled by Conscious Intelligences in the Fourth Realm pass onward, carried by the Seraphic and Cherubic Hosts and the escort of Honor from the Fourth Realm, into the consciousness of the waiting Beings of the Fifth Realm.

V

Within the Fifth Realm, the seed of the Father, particularly in connection with scientific discoveries, inventions and medical research, is scattered and received by the Receptive Consciousness of Those engaged in this endeavor in the Temples of Science that are active within this Sphere, and from these Temples they are directed into the minds and hearts of those selfless men and women who are working in these avenues on earth. The Great Chohan of the Fifth Realm is known as the Master Hilarion, who was Saint Paul of biblical days.

As the Fifth Sphere pulsates with the essence of Godliness, we see that the blessings are no whit lessened, and that even as we watch, the glorious energies await transmission into the Sixth Sphere to

widen their circle of manifest expression.

VI

Within the Sixth Sphere, we find the causative centers of the Christian Religion, wherein devotional and emotional worship are the particular fount through which the spiritual energies are being released to bless the human race. Here dwell the great Celestial Choirs, the Highest Heaven of orthodox thought, and from this beautiful Sphere flows the inspiration of those men and women who have responded to the "high calling" of religious leaders and who are "leading their sheep" to the best of their ability.

The Great Chohan of the Sixth Sphere is the Master Jesus, and through the Temple Services, both He and Mary, His Mother, bathe the Christian World, the Devas who guard and protect the churches erected in His Name, and all who have accepted the Christ, in the spiritual essence of Their Divine Christhood.

As the Cherubic and Seraphic Hosts make ready to bring the blessings of the Father into the Seventh Realm, we realize that this is by natural destiny the periphery of the Kingdom and that the Third Dimensional World of today has sunk below this boundary line of safety.

VII

It is to the Seventh Realm, and its Great Chohan, known as the Master Saint Germain, that we must look for the contact between the outer consciousness and the divine patterns of the Will of God and His Messengers. The Seventh Sphere holds within itself the etheric pattern of every manifestation of the God Plan which has been lowered rhythmically through the Six Preceding Spheres and which awaits expression in physical form. It is the First Sphere above the human octave of limitation and imperfection into which the soul ascends on its journey back to the Heart of God.

It is, therefore, the office and responsibility of the Chohan of the Seventh Ray to provide a way and means by which mankind may again unite its consciousness with the Inner Spheres ,and become individual conductors of the Divine Perfection from these Spheres through the consciousness of the outer self.

This Realm is literally "bursting" with all the good things that have been handed down from one Sphere to another.

Because of the resistance and refusal of the outer consciousness of man to accept the Divine Plan of God, the Etheric Realm has not been able to pass on the blessings and glories that have descended from the Higher Pheres, and thus complete the outgoing rhythm of creative endeavor. Any member of the human family may offer his consciousness to the Chohan of the Seventh Ray and ask that his individual self may be an outlet for the blessings and perfection contained within It.

Every man, woman and child that lives on the earth today, or who will come here in the future, has a Divine Presence, a God Pattern, an Arche-type, that dwells in one of the foregoing Seven Spheres. Each such incarnate lifestream is meant to be a radiating center of the spiritual force from the Inner Sphere where his Presence dwells. He must understand that his own Higher Self is actually living and serving life in one of these Spheres, developing certain God Designs picked up by Its Higher Consciousness, which Designs await the receptivity of the outer mind in order to find expression in the world of form.

The present characteristics of the individual, no matter how poorly developed, are indicative of the Ray and Sphere to which he rightfully belongs, and as the individual purifies his own world he will raise the vibratory action of his being to its most powerful and perfect expression through his personal self, and also become a radiating center of the Spiritual Force from the Sphere in which His Presence dwells and which has a beneficent effect upon all life around him.

TABLE OF CORRESPONDENCES

Sphere	Ray	Master	Quality	Natural Service
I	First	El Morya	Power and initiative	Rulers, executives,
II	Second	Kuthumi	Wisdom, Mind Force	Teachers, students
III	Third	Venetian	Love, Tolerance	Arbitrators, peacemakers
IV	Fourth	Serapis	Artistic Development	Artists, musicians,
V	Fifth	Hilarion	Scientific Development	Doctors, inventors
VI	Sixth	Jesus	Devotional Worship	Priests, ministers, healers,
VII	Seventh	St. Germain	Ordered service, culture, refinement, diplomacy	Diplomats, gentlemen, mystics.

"AND I SAW THE SEVEN ANGELS WHICH STOOD BEFORE GOD; AND TO THEM WERE GIVEN SEVEN TRUMPETS." JOHN (REV 8:2)

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EXPLANATORY NOTE — The Gentle Reader is reminded that all religious doctrines and faiths are based on the findings of individuals whose highly developed, purified faculties, exalted vision and uplifted consciousness enabled them to perceive Truth and translate Truth for lesser men.

The articles and features in this Journal are for the purpose of stimulating the development and accuracy of the reader's spiritual faculties and discernment, through encouraging him to travel in consciousness only, and experience the spiritual realities described herein, thus confirming Truth through his own independent, uplifted vision.

THE KARMIC LAW

By D. T. MARCHES

It is unfortunate for the sake of man's more speedy evolution on this planet that the Mission of the Master Jesus has not been more clearly understood by humanity; people for the most part living under the impression that His advent on the earth was for the purpose of being offered up to the One Universal Father of Life and Love as a Sacrifice for the sins of humanity, thereby relieving them of all responsibility for their individual use of the life forces by which they exist. In other words, that the time and effort expanded by Life on their creation and subsistance are without reason or purpose. Witness, for example, the acceptance by so many people of the statement 'Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you shall be saved'.

While it is true that by reason of Jesus' willingness to assume the sacrifice that the role of The Christ or Way Shower always exacts, coupled with the fact that He had already expiated His own karma (which condition the Karmic Law demands from an Aspirant for this exalted Mission) He was granted a dispensation whereby the sufferings incumbent on His Mission could be applied to a partial expiation of the karmic debts of the people of earth, still this did not mean that humanity could go on indulging in unbridled license of their passions and eventually ride into the Kingdom of Heaven on the Merit of the Master Jesus, without any conscious effort towards attaining that perfection necessary for its achievement.

His last appearance on earth, therefore fulfilled four major accomplishments, the achievement of which is necessary before any soul can attain his ascension or liberation:

1. He exemplified the Law of Cause and Effect.

2. He manifested the Perfection of the Christ or God Self through His Physical Form.

3. His public death and resurrection proved the supremacy of Spirit or Mind over the World of Form.

4. His Ascension, during the course of which He became invisible to human sight, proved that in the very atmosphere of earth there is an invisible realm where persons who have increased their vibrations to reach the Christ Consciousness may enter when they have fulfilled their Divine Plan.

The occupants of this Octave which is called The Fourth Dimensional Realm live in an atmosphere resembling White Fire which vibrates at a trtmendously high rate far beyond the human range of vision. Because these Liberated Beings cannot be seen with the physical eye and because mankind is not aware of the laws governing their evolution, they deny the existance of these, their emancipated Brothers, and thus, through ignorance and unbelief, deny themselves the comfort and help they would receive through the radiation and love of Their Presence. Furthermore, it goes without saying, that by denying the existance of these Liberated Beings man nullifies the effects of his own spiritual efforts as well as the ultimate freedom attained through such endeavors.

Due to the Fall of Man and his slow upward climb to the consciousness he enjoyed before his descent, and because of the balance each one owes to life by reason of the misuse of energy, as well as his unfulfilled mission, the Karmic Law allows him an allotted

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"AND I SAW IN THE RIGHT HAND OF HIM THAT SAT ON THE THRONE A BOOK... SEALED WITH SEVEN SEALS." JOHN (REV 5:1)

Daily Work Sheet

How to Develop Perfect Vision
From February 15 to March 14,

— 1953 —

That thou seest, man
That too become thou must.
God, it thou seest God.
Dust, if thou seest dust.

The Psalmist sings "I will lift up mine eyes unto the Hills, from whence cometh my help" (Psalm 121:1). Man has been endowed with the power of vision by which he invites and compels the object visualized into his consciousness. What man entertains in his consciousness, outpictures in his world. Through the track of the vision, each individual has the power to draw into his experience whatsoever he chooses to contemplate.

The Master Saint Germain has said "It is more difficult for man to endeavor to visualize a glory which his outer consciousness has not yet experienced than it is for The Presence or The Master to project into the beam of his vision the Perfect Vision as the Master sees it with His more highly developed faculties."

It would be more difficult for a blind man to visualize green grass or the blue sea, than the man who has looked upon it. Therefore, as you accept the magnetic power of your unfolding visual sense, ask The Presence and The Masters to "glorify you with His Own Self with the Glory which you had with Him before the world was." (John 17.5) Then, quietly, await The Presence so that you may incorporate Its Perfection into the very substance of the flesh. Contemplate daily.

Steadfastly facing THEE, there is no evil on my pathway.

Steadfastly facing THEE there is no limitation with its sorrows.

Steadfastly facing THEE, there

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Daily Work Sheet in Spanish

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Cómo Desarrollar la Perfecta Visión
Del 15 de Febrero al 14 de Marzo

— 1953 —

Lo que tú contemples, hombre
Eso tú te volverás,
Un Dios serás, si a Dios ves
Y si ves polvo, polvo te volverás.

El Salmista canta Alzaré mis ojos a los montes de donde vendrá mi socorro." (Salmo 121:1) El hombre ha sido dotado con el poder de la visión, mediante el cual, él invita y compele el objeto visualizado dentro de su conciencia. Lo que el hombre mantiene en su conciencia se refleja en su mando. Por medio de la visión, cada individuo tiene el poder de atraer dentro de su experiencia, cualquier cosa, que él elija contemplar.

El Maestro San Germán ha dicho: "Le es más difícil al hombre esforzarse en visualizar la gloria que su conciencia externa no ha experimentado todavía, que lo que es a la Presencia y a los Maestros, proyectar en el foco de visión, la Perfecta Visión que Ellos pueden ver con Sus altamente desarrolladas facultades.

Sería más difícil para un hombre ciego, visualizar la yerba verde o el mar azul, que al hombre que ya los ha visto. Por eso, al aceptar ustedes el poder magnético de su evolucionante sentido visual, pidan a la Presencia y a los Maestros que 'los glorifique con Su Propio Ser, con aquella Gloria que ustedes tuvieron con El, antes que el mundo fuese." (Juan 17:5) Entonces, tranquilamente esperen a la Presencia para que puedan unir Su Perfección a la misma substancia de la carne de sus vehículos fisicos.

Contemplen diariamente:

Mirándote fijamente a Ti, no hay ningún mal en mi camino.

Mirándote fijamente a Ti, no

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Daily Work Sheet in German

TAEGLICHES WIRK BLATT

Innere Entfaltung
15 Februar - 14 Maerz,

— 1953 —

Das Du siehest, Mensch
Das auch Du must werden!
Gott—siehest Du Gott.
Staub—siehest Du Staub.

Der Psalmist singt: "Ich hebe meine Augen auf zu den Bergen, von welchen mir Hilfe kommt." Psalm 121-1) Der Mensch wurde mit der Macht des Vorstellungvermoegens versehen, durch welche er das Objektiv seiner Vorstellung herbeizieht und in sein Bewusstsein aufnimmt. Was der Mensch in seinem Bewusstsein birgt, aeussert sich in seiner Welt. Durch die Bahn der Vorstellung hat jeder die Macht, in seine Erfahrung zu ziehen, was immer er auch zur inneren Betrachtung waehlt. Der Meister St. Germain sagte: "Es ist fuer den Menschen schwieriger, zu versuchen, sich eine herrliche Sache vorzustellen, deren Erfahrung er noch nie machte, als es fuer die "Anwesenheit" oder den Meister ist, auf den Strahl seiner Vorstellung die VOLLKOMMENE VISION, so, wie der Meister es mit SEINEN hochentwickelten Faehigkeiten sieht, zu leiten."

Es waere schwieriger fuer den Blinden, sich gruenes Grass und die blaue See vorzustellen, als fuer denjenigen, dessen Blicke es sahen. Daher, indem wir die magnetische M a c h t unseres Vorstellungsvermoegens acceptieren, bitten wir die "Anwesenheit" Gott, sowie die Meister," und nun verklaere mich Du, Vater, bei Dir selbst mit der Klarheit, die ich bei Dir hatte, ehe die Welt war." (J o h a n n e s 17:5) Dann, in aller Ruhe, erwarte man die "Anwesenheit", sodass wir DEREN VOLLKOMMENHEIT voelling mit den Substanzen des

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DAILY WORK SHEET
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is no loss, no lack, no absence, no deprivation.

Steadfastly facing THEE, there is nothing to fear, for there is no power to hurt.

Steadfastly facing THEE, there is neither sin, nor sickness, nor death.

Steadfastly facing THEE, I AM become ALL THOU ART.

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hay limitación con sus pesares.

Mirándote fijamente a Ti, no hay pérdida, carencia, separación o privación.

Mirándote fijamente a Ti, no hay nada que temer porque no habrá poder que pueda dañar.

Mirándote fijamente a Ti, no hay ni error, ni enfermedad, ni muerte.

Mirándote fijamente a Ti, ("I AM") yo me convierto en lo que Tú eres.

TAEGLICHES WIRK BLATT
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Fleisches VEREINIGEN KOENNEN.

Taeglicher Beschluss:

Standhaft wende ich mich Dir zu, Nirgends ein Unheil auf meinem Pfade!

Standhaft wende ich mich Dir zu, Nirgends Beschraenkung mit seinen Leiden.

Standhaft wende ich mich Dir zu, Nirgends Verdorbenheit, Verlust, Trennung oder Not.

Standhaft wende ich mich Dir zu, Nichts fuerchtend; denn nichts hat Macht zu schaden.

Standhaft wende ich mich Dir zu, Nirgends ist Krankheit, Suende noch Tod.

Standhaft wende ich mich Dir zu, "ICH BIN" WERDE VOELLIG SO WIE DU!

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

TO OUR READERS

In view of the extraordinarily cordial reception that THE BRIDGE has received in the first year of its publication, and in view of the widespread enthusiasm prevalent everywhere to carry into effect the teachings and instructions given through The Bridge and its subsidiary publications, We are now in position to offer the services of A Consultant and Advisor who will be only too happy to help you to organize your group activities and provide suggested literature and directions which will enable you to join in the world—wide services which are taking place under the direction, supervision and guidance of The Great White Brotherhood, and in actual, conscious cooperation with Their Cosmic Endeavors on behalf of the forward progress of the Race.

We shall also be happy to advise you of Group Activities in your locality if you are desirous of joining other individuals already engaged in this Service to life.

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YOUR CO-OPERATION, PLEASE

The following are the present applications before the Karmic Council to which you may add the strength of your individual petition if you find the Cause worthy:

1. The Higher Mental Body taking possession of the physical form at the age of six instead of twelve, as is now the law.
2. The visible, tangible Presence of the Ascended Masters to prepared students.
3. The complete financial freedom for all who desire to serve the Brotherhood and the Cause for good.
4. The bodies enduring, absolutely non recordant to disease for those who wish to serve the Cause for good.

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span of time at certain intervals, called 'earthly embodiments' during which time he is expected to attend to his soul's mission. When this short period of time has expired, the ego is withdrawn, to make room for another incoming and hopeful soul. This 'coming in' and 'going out' of the ego are called by the names of 'Birth' and 'Death', 'each such experience being just an oft recurring episode in the evolution of every soul on the planet. The 'going out' should not hold any more terror than the 'coming in' because so-called Death is but the transferring of the tired ego to a place of rest and peace where it may renew its energies and receive valuable instruction before the next embodiment Oftimes it is happily the Open Door to Eternal Freedom for some triumphant Soul who has successfully fulfilled His Divine Plan.

NOTICE

As our first issue of April 1952 has been exhausted, although we printed ten thousand copies, and as the demand for that issue is so great, we have decided to reprint it in this number in response to this request.

Therefore we have had to leave for our next issue, "The Masters Speak on The Degree of Vision attained by Different Messengers," "Wings of Light" and other articles.

The Masters of Wisdom Speak on

THE LORDS OF KARMA AND YOU

(Reprinted *by request* from our issue of April 1952)

The Divine Work of administering the Will of God for the peoples of earth is under the direction and supervision of Seven Great Beings, called the Chohans, or Masters of the Seven Rays, and their Over Lord the Maha (Great) Chohan. All of the activities, gifts, benefits and progress of the human race enter the world and experience of man along these Seven Rays.

This is a Permanent Section of THE BRIDGE dedicated to each of these Great Masters, through which They may forward Their Design and Current Activities through radiation, inspiration, instruction, and in any way that Their Great Wisdom sees will have a beneficial effect upon the human race.

Contemplation of each Master connects the student's lifestream with the Ray which He represents and carries the particular radiation, gifts, talents and inspiration which are Its characteristics into the experience of the student, and through the student into the world.

MAHA CHOHAN — HOLY SPIRIT
The Hand of God working through Rays Three to Seven

The Law of the Circle is a stern teacher, for there is no prompter but pain and unhappines—and much later Love! What the infant learns through experience, the mature man may learn through contemplation and observation. Energy acts on the instant... its recoil may take centuries, but return it will. This is karma, good and evil. The mantle of the Spirit of God may deflect the full impact of this return current when the soul signifies a willingness to learn the cause for his pain. Later, the awakened soul may join the transcending powers of the Higher Laws and transmute any arrested karma mercifully inanimate during his search. The deflecting, the suspension and the meting out of karma is all under the supervision of the Lords of Karma, who are authorized by the Sun Himself.

MAHA CHOHAN

MORYA EL — FIRST RAY
Divine Will and Rulership

It is time the people of earth made acquaintance with the Lords of Karma. They are the Final Authority for the lifestreams that belong to the earth. They not only supervise and direct the incarnation of the soul, but form the Judgment Council at the time of dissolution of the physical garment. They delegate each soul to its proper sphere for its soujourn between embodiments. Through them must pass all petitions and applications for dispensations to wipe out the Karma of the race and transcend the natural law of cause and effect. They are Lords of Mercy and Love and are approachable for a petition of worthy merit.

MORYA EL

KUTHUMI LAL SINGH—SECOND RAY
Wisdom - Guardian of Youth

A wise and loving parent administers corrective measures only to educate the child in the principles of right and wrong. When the intelligence of the child assimilates the lesson, the need for suffering and punishment ceases to exist. Only a sadistic nature would continue unnecessary discipline. Is it not apparent that the Great Father is equally capable of waiving the judgments of karmic pain when the consciousness is awakened to the cause and has corrected its motive within? This is the Office of the Lords of Karma which I enjoy most. The wiping away of the tears and sins of the world through mercy!

KUTHUMI

VENETIAN — THIRD RAY
Diplomacy and Tact-Tolerante, a "Gentle-Man"

Am I my brother's keeper? Would any good man see his brother struck down if it lay within his personal power to stave off the blow? How great might the combined petitions of good men weigh in the balance before the Lords of Karma to release men from the full recoil of mass karma by changing the motivating powers behind the actions of the race!

VENETIAN

SERAPIS BEY — FOURTH RAY
Art and Beauty - Hierarih of Luxor

When a member of the human race is bold enough to stand, unveiled, before the Seven Mighty Judges — impersonal and dispassionate—the Hearts of Heaven are stirred. It is seldom such an application is denied. It is one thing for a Liberated Master to request a dispensation for the people of earth, but quite another for a man to recognize a need and FURTHER the possibility of moving a natural law by self conscious initiative and endeavor. I am ALL for that man!

SERAPIS BEY

HILARION FIFTH RAY
Science and God

Scientifically speaking, the Father Himself grants dispensations of grace, surcease from wars, pestilence, famine and all the individual and universal ills that man has fallen heir to. But all applicants must pass through the Council of the Karmic Lords and show cause for the transcending of the karmic laws which are the authority over this earth. If that law is to be transcended, it must be proven beyond a doubt that such mercy will be ultimately a good thing for the race. To mitigate or destroy karmic retribution is possible, Otherwise there would be no hope or efficacy in prayer. Scientific research and medicine have temporarily alleviated pain and suffering and thus softened the karmic lash. More permanent manifestations of the transmuting of evil will be evident in the future.

HILARION

Maha Chohan

JESUS — SIXTH RAY
Religious Worship Through Devotion and Reverent Feeling

A dispensation is a grant of mercy given upon a worthy request. The law of Moses can be transcended through Grace. Seemingly miraculous answers to prayer are positive proof of this fact. Herein lies the hope of man. If he were required by the God of Love to pay every jot, every title, the chain of evolution would be endless. It is within the right and compass of every man to petition the Father for dispensations of mercy for his fellow man. Man must show just cause for such a grant, offering himself ing of the hearts of men for peace could be gathered together by any man and as a sponsor for the people. The upreaching of the hearts of men for peace could be gathered together by any man and offered as such a just cause.

JESUS

SAINT GERMAIN — SEVENTH RAY
Ceremonial Worship, cultivating the training and direction of spiritual energies of both Angels and Men

Karma is merely energy qualified to act by individual or natural will moving in an outgoing and incoming circuit. The effect of this karma will be determined by the motive within the qualifying intelligence when the invisible cause was set up. The natural law is that karma, the law of cause and effect, must spend itself. If, however, the motive that has created evil karma is changed, the motivatiug intelligence educated, the natural law can be superseded by Mercy and the causes set into motion wiped from the screen of life even before they are apparent to aught but the inner eye. This is the promise of tomorrow and the hope of today—the power of dispensatious—and the mercy of the Karmic Council.

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YOUR CO-OPERATION

Present application before the Karmic Council to which you may add the strength of your individual petition if you find the Cause worthy:

To allow those great souls who have studied in the Halls of Wisdom and at the Feet of the Masters to retain a FULL, CONSCIOUS, CONSECUTIVE MEMORY of their divine origin, teachers and divine purpose after incarnating in a flesh body. That the karmic restriction that demands the voluntary loss of inner memory be removed from those pure lifestreams whom the Lords of Karma shall choose to be the Builders of the New Age.

Stepping Stones

By D. T. MARCHES

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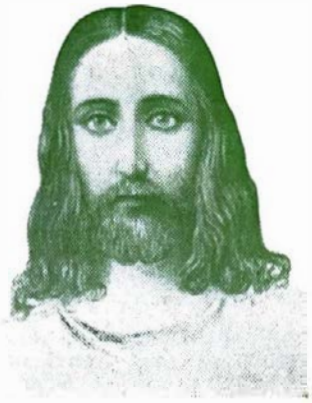
How near is Heaven? Jesus said "The again He said "The Kingdom of God is at hand." Did the Master mean that these Kingdom of Heaven is within you" and words spoken to the simple hearers of His day should be taken literally? Most certainly He did, for He was and is a Master of Truth and would not mislead the "seeking" people who followed and trusted in Him. He said another time "If it were not so, I would have told you."

The Apostle John says in His Gospel—"In Him (God) was life and the life was the light of men and the light shineth in darkness and the darkness comprehendeth it not."

How do we find this Kingdom and where and what is this Light that John refers to? In the heart of every man there is a secret, airless chamber within which dwells the Spark of Divinity. This tiny Spark is the Gift of Life, by which man lives, breathes and thinks. It is the motivating power of all his earthly activities, physical, mental and spiritual It is a part of, and contains every potential quality of the Godhead. It is the Essence of Being and Its emanation is Light. It is three-fold in nature and is, in fact, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit in embryo. Where God's Presence is, His Kingdom is. The body of man is, therefore, the Temple of God and houses the Ark of the Covenant.

This is the "Secret Place of the Most High" mentioned in the Psalms and is what Jesus meant when He and "When ye pray, entre your closet and shut the door and pray to your Father in secret." When one turns the attention toward this hidden Sanctuary and kneels in spirit before its Holy Altar, the feelings invoked by this inner desire release a spiritual force which fans the Spark of Life into a Flame. Its threefold nature representing the Love of the Father, the Will of the Son and the Power or Action of the Holy Spirit flow outward into the personality and world of the devotee, illuming the intellect and revealing God's Divine Plan for the individual and the planet.

Heaven then, is not a "place afar off." We carry God and His Kingdom around with us in our hearts. There is no peace, no happiness, no security outside of this Kingdom and it only awaits our recognition to make itself manifest. There is only One Father and One Only Begotten Son and that is the **Christ Nature** of every man. God is not the Father of the outer personality, that is a consciousness evolved and born out of fear and ignorance when the soul or ego separated itself in consciousness from the Father and started a creation of its own. The outer personality has neither love nor wisdom nor power which are the attributes of Godhead and it has not even the authority to control the imperfect world it creates.



JESUS

Jesus chose the Springtime for the glorious manifestation of the Resurrection because the cycle of nature rises on this marvelous tide into the glorious manifestation of eternal life. How marvelous is His example of a Conscious Union of the body and mind and soul of a man to the Resurrection Flame that has rolled like a Cosmic Tide from the center of the earth to its periphery with each successive spring, since life on his planet first began. And yet, how divinely natural that man, the highest intelligence and most developed consciousness on the earth plane, should be a natural heir to the power and gift of the Resurrection Flame, that has served Nature in a rhythmic pulsation every 12 months. Nature has ever been the servant of man, created for his pleasure, his sustenance, his "handmaiden." Could the God of Nature then, giving to the lesser the full release of the Resurrection Flame, deny its Master? Jesus proved man's right and individual power to tune into the Resurrection Flame and transform his nature and his self-hood thereby. He tied His body and His spirit to the triumphant onrush of the Resurrection Flame and rose on Its Crest to Christhood and Divinity.

2000 springs have come and gone and man still stands barren, souls withered and bodies decadent, and allows the glory of the Resurrection Flame to roll by him into the Greater Universe, carrying Its Music and Its Promise unfulfilled to some further stars. And Jesus stands revealed a Single Flower in the Garden of God's life. A very few among the race have availed themselves of this Transmuting Flame of Eeternal Life and they, too, have quickened in Its Vitalizing Power, and have flowered in the impetus of Its Impersonal Gift of Immortal and Everlasting Life. These are the Liberated Host of Light, whose perfume and light and radiance are the sunshine in the dense atmosphere of human thought and feeling. They are the Dispensers of the harmony of heaven, into which their consciousness has soared on the Resurrection Flame. They are the Guides that point out the true pathway, the "ever-lasting arms" that hold us from the pit, the wisdom and counsel behind the leaders of the race. They are not bound by race nor creed nor personality. Their business is to light the souls of men, to stir therein the desire for freedom, and to introduce the Presence of the Resurrection Flame whereby the soul—awakened may find its true place in the Full Flowered Perfection of Awakened Spirits.

VENUS

By THOMAS PRINTZ

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Shining in the Celestial Sky is Earth's Sister Planet, Venus. How often have the eyes of the children of earth looked upward and enjoyed the beauty and brilliance of Her Presence in the darkness of earth's night. Could it be that Venus and all the Glorious Planets of our system are barren of life and evolution, and that the sole purpose of the Galaxies of Heaven is to provide light and pleasure for the small orb of the earth? No, a moment's thought will dispel this arrogant and thoughtless concept as we contemplate the fact that the earth is one of the smallest of the planets, and surely her produce and her radiance at present are not of such importance as to balance the infinite gifts and presence of the Sun and stars that swing in silent splendor through our night.

Ah—yes—On Venus there is life and love and evolution of a cosmic purpose far beyond that which we on earth have yet achieved, but toward which the ers of the race have pointed us time began. For she is, even in her physical position in relation to the Sun, a more advanced planet. Her very name on earth has always signified the fullness of Love.

Man's journey through life is the progression of soul, learning through ence, the laws of life and love, the relentless law of cause and its ultimate effect. In this long and self chosen pilgrimage, he must wear many garments (bodies) and live in many climes. Thus he gathers into his consciousness by experience the wealth of knowledge which is the germ of Mastery over self and his world. When the lessons of earth are learned, the soul sometimes migrates to another planet to fully round out its nature, even as a student enters a school of higher learning in order to more fully prepare for a vacation. Thus, very few of the more fortunate among mankind have been privileged to complete their soul development upon the planet Venus, and, on rare occasions, Great Souls from Venus have entered into the world of men.

Venus has her own evolved Beings, who have grown and matured with her, as—in time—the earth children will develop with their planet into harmony, self mastery and peace. These Beings on Venus are the Older Brothers and Sisters of the human race.

The life on Venus is under the direction of a Great Hierarchy of Perfected Men and Women, called The Lords of the Flame. They are the embodiment of wisdom and of love. There is but one language, one state, one race, one purpose. There is no dis-ease, no crime, no army or navy or any instrument of force, for physical violence and unbalance are unknown. Every citizen of this World Estate contributes his talents freely to the common cause for fifteen short years, between the ages of 20 and 35. Before this time, all are educated by the State according to their particular talents and the interests of the individual citizen.